

## MANSFIELD AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

DRAFT Minutes of July 6, 2010 meeting

Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Conference Room B, 7:30 p.m.

1. Chairman Al Cyr called the meeting to order at 7:35.

PRESENT: Al Cyr, Charlie Galgowski, Kathleen Paterson, Bill Palmer, Ed Wazer, Raluca Molcanu, Vicky Wetherell, Larry Lombard, Jennifer Kaufman (staff).

2. Minutes of the June 1, 2010, meeting were approved.

### **Old Business**

3. Meeting with Committee on Committees

Al and Jennifer attended this meeting on June 22. They presented proposed revisions to the committee's charge: 1) adding committee monitoring of agricultural leases and 2) committee membership (6 regular members and 4 alternates). The Agriculture Committee approved these changes, and the proposed Agriculture Committee charge will be forwarded to the Town Council for approval.

4. Presentation to the Town Council

Tabled. The presentation has been postponed to the fall.

5. Agriculture Zoning Regulations

The subcommittee is continuing to work on this.

6. Tax Exemption/Abatement Update

Abatement data will not be available until August; the subcommittee is still working on options to present to the committee.

7. Mansfield Grown Brochures

Jennifer provided copies of the Spring 2010 version for members to distribute.

8. Agriculture Leases

The committee agreed to discuss policy about renewing agricultural leases of town land at their October meeting.

9. Storrs Farmers Market

Kathleen announced that there will be a mini-version of the farmers market located next to the Community Center on Wednesdays, 3 to 5 p.m. from July 14 to September 29.

10. The meeting adjourned at 8: 30.